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**Mike Bonin** <mike.bonin@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 3, 2017 at 11:37 AM

To: Taylor Bazley &lt;taylor.bazley@lacity.org&gt;, "debbie.dynerrharris@lacity.org" &lt;debbie.dynerrharris@lacity.org&gt;

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From: &lt;Sacoja@aol.com&gt;

Date: Tue, Jan 3, 2017 at 11:16 AM

Subject: Try...

To: mike.bonin@lacity.org

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**Debbie Dyner Harris** <debbie.dynerharris@lacity.org>  
To: Mike Bonin <mike.bonin@lacity.org>  
Cc: Taylor Bazley <taylor.bazley@lacity.org>

Wed, Jan 4, 2017 at 11:58 AM

taylor, can you please respond to Saul today? thanks  
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To: Debbie Dyner Harris <debbie.dynerharris@lacity.org>  
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Wed, Jan 4, 2017 at 12:01 PM

can you guys tell me what is going on here? i looked thru old emails and saw chuy was handling this about a year ago, but have not heard this area was a problem recently. what is the situation and what is being done?

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To: Mike Bonin <mike.bonin@lacity.org>  
Cc: Debbie Dyner Harris <debbie.dynerharris@lacity.org>

Mon, Jan 9, 2017 at 8:53 PM

I apologize for the slowness of my response.

Homeless activity has gotten pretty bad over the past two months or so at this stretch. This is a rare occasion when the photos are even understated from what I have seen firsthand. In the "short term" I asked for a cleanup here (a little less than a month ago) and continue to follow up on that. They usually take at least a month so this is not atypical for cleanups.

In the more long term, I am in very frequent communication with a committee of constituents we helped put together after a big community meeting a few months ago. Constituents hired an architectural firm and are designing a landscape project to beautify/activate the area. The biggest issue is the space isn't used and there isn't anything there. The initial concept included an informal walk path, an informal bike path, vegetation, and landscaping for the entire deserted street. It is a wildly popular plan for this area and we are coming out ahead at least for now. I'm meeting with the leader next week to go over what they have come up with and then they will seek permits to implement.

Additionally, a lot of the adjacent property owners are looking to assume ten more feet of property through the process of street vacation. The plan is going ahead as if that isn't happening since it is such a long process.

-Taylor

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**Debbie Dyners Harris** <debbie.dyners@lacity.org>  
To: Taylor Bazley <taylor.bazley@lacity.org>

Tue, Jan 10, 2017 at 10:13 AM

please make sure you get back to the constituent. thanks  
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**Taylor Bazley** <taylor.bazley@lacity.org>  
To: Sacoja@aol.com

Fri, Jan 13, 2017 at 2:10 PM

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To: [taylor.bazley@lacity.org](mailto:taylor.bazley@lacity.org)

Fri, Jan 13, 2017 at 3:04 PM

Hey Taylor—I wish I could share your optimism. I hope it works and appreciate the efforts.

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In a message dated 1/13/2017 2:10:39 P.M. Pacific Standard Time, [taylor.bazley@lacity.org](mailto:taylor.bazley@lacity.org) writes:

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